# COMMISSIONERS TO PROBE ESCAPE OF 11 GIRLS FROM REFORMATORY

Head of School Says More Guards Are Needed.

"Tag, you're it!" shouted one of a re of girls playing in the yard of National Training School for els, on the Conduit road, last eveg as she seized the woman athletic tructor.

Eleven Girls Fled. moment later, as the girl held

mly to the teacher, eleven of the s made a concerted dash for the ies against it, the gate was forced m its hinges and the girls fled. The teacher was amazed. It tool several minutes to believe that

had been a victim of a plot-that tagging of her was the outcome of rell staged plan of the girls to make reak for freedom from the instituhe daring getaway occurred shortore 8 o'clock and within an hour, years old, and Beatrice Thoene teen years old, had been cap ed and returned to the institution. thers who had not been captured rs old, said to have been the mas

mind of the plot to escape, Edith obs, eighteen; Ruth Clarkson, nine-n; Grace Eller, twenty; Ethel Raws, sixteen, Mary Kidd, eighteen; garet Pappas, nineteen; Louise, seventeen, and Viola Green, rgaret Pappas,

the Board of Commissioners, when t conditions at the institution re an investigation, and that he uld take it up at the board meet of the Commissioners this after rough inquiry be made into the recent wholesale escapes. Potomac Shores Combed.

Police today are combing es and resorts along the Viria side of the Potomac, endeavorto pick up the other girls who Information reached the ice that seven of the girls reached in Bridge where some got into and others entered e which apparently had been

of the girls who escaped e in the group that fled the inution a month ago and were inter-tured. They are Myrtie Hall. ptured. Ruth Clarkson, Mattie Davis and

had no idea that the girls intended to make a break for liberty, said Miss Caroline Muller, the ath-"They were playing teacher. ag and suddenly several of them ircled me, while one of them seized me by the arms, shouting A moment later, the girls dashed for the gate."

Mrs. J. A. Griffith, superintendent of the institution, feels keenly the escape of the girls, but has hopes of their being found.

Says Stories Are Untrue. "I have learned," said Mrs. Grif-"that when the girls escape they have little difficulty money and clothes to hide their identity. They have told extravagant stories of having been beaten, ill fed and almost subjected to crucifixion All untruths, of course. These girl hvae emotions which cannot be sup pressed in short time. You can't

a year, if so then.
"We are overcrowded in the white cottages and need more attendants to guard the girls."

All the escaped girls were attired blue and white checked dresses except the Hall girl, who was wear ing her pink honor dress. She was to be paroled, but now will have to remain until she is twenty

## Choose Now Rush

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# MEARDOSEEN

By BILL PRICE.

THE SKIPPER IS BACK.

The skipper of the merry ship "Heard and Seen" is back at 'the helm, his vacation past and his thoughts with the readers and contributors. It's good to be back with such a fine crew and passenger list, dwelling among those who feel and know that a smile beats a million grouches; that a kindly deed or word for another is golden as compared to unkind deeds or words; that wholesome mirth carries sunshine to many depressed souls.

I rejoice in the hundreds of letters that came to the "Spare Tire" after he printed the vinegary stuff of Broadway Jones. Among those letters, kept for my perusal, were scores from people who never contribute to the Column, but should do so. One letter from "Regular Fellow" was typical of the others and of the spirit of the folks who make up this great family of Washingtonians.

"The G. O. C. scatters sunshine and laughter," says "Regular Fellow," and "so let nothing divert you from your course. Waste no more space on such pikers. Maybe the O. G. got their stuff (and this is what happened), and they are sore. THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE READ YOUR COLUMN WHO NEVER CONTRIBUTE A WORD, I for one. The kids look for it. The Mrs. reads it. Don't let the pikers bluff you."

No column ever suited everybody. Some of the stanchest friends of H and S would even run it along other lines, but it's a cinch that no column has as many loyal readers and contributors. So we'll just let her run as she is, changing course when the majority of the gang wants it changed.

The folks liked the SPARE TIRE and he liked the work. So we're all happy.

GOING UP TO HEAR

THE LECTURE

TONIGHT?

ON APPENDICITIS

BEANING THE MASHERS.

A fine-looking New York widow

has adopted one sure way of dis-

posing of mashers-she just beans

them on their heads with a piece

of thick rubber hose she carries

of them low in this manner, the

and widows organize the "rubber hose brigade" for disposing of

hose brigade" for disposing of mashers? The idea is a good one

or the women who are so often

If a sufficient number of girls

will indicate their willingness to

join the brigade the editor will

agree to furnish a supply of bean

THE OTHER night while walking DOWN FOURTEENTH street

ALONE I was much annoyed

WALKING OR in automobiles

ND I WONDER if your plain

CLOTHES MEN haven't chased

THEM OFF F and other streets

WAS ESPECIALLY persistent.

SHE VENTURES to take a ride

BREAK THIS annoyance up?

WITH A strange man in a machine

One of the contribs opines

that it must be "hell" to be President of these forty-eight

Volsteaded and outdrying pos-sessions. If this be true, then the predicament of a Vice

"WHAT CARE I."

What care I
As the rich and proud pass by,
Gazing with supercilious eye?
I roll up mine and sigh.
What care I?

When Lizzies and cars pass by, Leaving me to walk or lie? I stretch my legs and sigh. What care I?

What care I
When I feel so dry.
Knowing booze no more? Oh. my!
I seek the tank and sigh.
What care I?
BRIDGEPORT.

WORD DIAMOND.

MAP MANIA DANGERS

RATTLE THEM BONES!

was a young maiden named Bi

brains she was rather "dimmle."
But when, at a dance,
She started to prance,
boy! She could shake a mean shim-

C. L. J.

HARVARD.

What care I

PAUL WHITE.

President is indescribable

BOBBETTE.

I TOLD HIM to "run along"

S I WAS married, but he

DIDN'T SEEM to mind.

A GIRL is very foolish

BUT CAN'T the police

NE FELLOW in a Maxwell car

I DID nothing to encourage

THEM, BUT they persisted IN FOLLOWING me.

VARIOUS mashers

TO 14TH street?

insulted by these sort of men.

DEAR CHIEF of Police:

records state.

bumpers.

in her handbag. She has laid fifty

Why shouldn't Washington girls

Didn't Like the Formula. "If you would have a velvet skin, And color pink and kippy." The doctor said to Gwendolyn, "Eat carrote and be pretty."

"I know I'll die," said Gwendelys,
And her words were icy cold;
But after eating eighteen karats,
She turned from pink to gold.
O. U. KID.

"LIZ'S" LI'L POMES. Collar Straps Fuss Follow Took Dollars Jar Saps Gotta Stops Haste Breezes Beau Cops Chased Lotta Show Kneezes Gotta Locked Smarty Out Knocked Lotta Slow GAITHERBURG LIZ.

HE CAN'T REDUCE.

HARRY NASH says this picture ploye stationed at Fourteenth and U streets going through strenuous exercise each day, but still is unable



THAT FAMOUS CHAIR. Dear H and S:

Has anyone heard or seen one dear old arm chair that, about forty years ago (forty or more), was presented to the then President (R. B. Hayes) of this United States by the late Warren Crandall, cattle king of

Coffey county, Kans.?

The distinctive feature of this piece of furniture was that it was made of horns, contributed by patriotic Western cattle men and was considered at that time unique and valuable article Rumor says that it held a place for some time in the Executive Mansion, afterward being transferred to the National Museum An inquiry written to this Institution brought little satisfaction, it being rather on the D-G-A-D order, so I turn to good old H and S, sure that I will find among its members someone who will recall something concerning it. So "shoot. E. Mc. C.

The Wife-"Isn't that your eye doctor?"
The Husband—"I thought it was till he sent me his bill. He is a skin specialist."

BIG BEN

CONTEST FOR AMATEUR POETS.

DEAR BILL: I would like to enter a contest the best verse to make a couplet with your touching one If not too presumptious, would sugprize be a quart of grape juice. Here is my contender

If a body want a toddy, And can't get the rye, He is buggy if he can't study And find the formulae. Accent of last syllable of last word is the Latin one. Hopefully.

MISS GREEN.

The village cop charged the eader of the brass band with conducting a band ditty (banditti) and safe blowing. H. SMITH.

Opposes Cleveland Station.

Peter Witt, of Cleveland, today pe-

titioned the Interstate Commerce

Commission not to grant a rehearing

to the New York Central Railroad

Company on its application for per-

mission to construct a new passenger

station at Cleyeland, Ohio.

Negro Ends Life in Canal.

Oyster and Judge Hardison Score "Keep Moving" Law and Promise Relief.

Washington's push-cart venders found two new friends today in the persons of Commissioner James F. Dyster and Judge Hardison, of the

All Fines Under \$3. Judge Hardison had four cases of iolations of the "keep moving" law y venders of fruit, and in no case did he impose a fine in excess of \$3. He said, after disposing of the cases, that he was of the opinion that the men who were brought behim, and others in the same line of business, were entitled to ome consideration after they had obtained their license and that it would be impossible for them to stay n business if the police were constantly on their trail. He said that the Commissioners ought to provide Commissioner Oyster told the dele-

gation that waited on him today he would see that they were given a 'fair deal," and asked them to submit a written petition of their grievances. The delegation was headed by Samuel Scalco, president of the United Fruit Venders' Association, Charles Baut-sele, secretary, and Harry T. Whelan, their attorney.
Attorney Whelan told the Commis-

sioner, Major Gessford, superintendent of police, and Francis H. Stephens corporation counsel, who were called into the conference, that the fruit enders did not block traffic any more han taxicabs did and that they were not engaged in a harmful occupation. Believes Law Useless. He also contended that the "keep

moving" regulation has no real, subrelation to public health, stantial morals, safety or convenience and cited several decisions by leading judicial tribunals to sustain his con-Attorney Whelan said he would not

ngage in a legal controversy with the District authorities unless it was ecessary to protect the rights of Scalco told the Commissioners that

nost of the complaints against fruit venders came from merchants on Seventh street, who forgot that was not so long ago when they hemselves were struggling along in

Quick Trials and Greater Vigilance Also New Attorney's Plan to Fight Bootleggers.

Handbook men and bootleggers need expect no mercy from Maj. Peyton Gordon, the new district attorney. This is the word sent out through the Police Department after a conference with the District Attorney as to what steps he was going to take to bring CLERKS WILL DISCUSS the many cases before the courts. AND DESERVES what she get Wants Quick Trials.

Major Gordon told the police that e was going to see that they went to trial, and there would be no postponing them for other cases on the standing trial and will not stand for any dilatory tactics on the part of counsel for these men.

Commissioner Oyster will confer headquarters of the organization. with Major Gordon as soon as the estimates, and get frmo him definite information as to how the police can best co-operate with him in ridding the city of handbook men and bootleg

There are now pending about 500 cases of alleged bootlegging and more than a 100 cases of alleged bookmaking in the District according to Commissioner Oyster. An effort wil lbe made to bring to bring all of them to trial this fall and winter.

The large amount of criticism of the failure to put out of business bookmakers and bootleggers is laid by the police to the inability of etting the cases to trial.

It has been charged that the police

have only made arrests to make a showing and that the bookmakers and bootleggers have gone back to their old business as soon as they are out of the station house. Arrest Nothing to Him.

One alleged bookmaker, arrested about two months ago, was taken to the first precinct station house on Twelfth street. He remained there for about an hour before bail could be procured. When he was liberated, went only as far as the corner of Twelfth and D streets, collected another bet an dwalking to his old stand on Eleventh street between D and E streets found a crowd of customers waiting.

He took all the bets in sight, it is said, as if nothing had happened, and when asked why he took the chance so soon after getting out of the sta-He took all the bets in sight, it is so soon after getting out of the station house bragged that he made enough money in a day to pay the premium on his bail. The police are going to enlarge

Willis Norwood, twenty-four years their campaign so as not only to ar old, colored, 3720 Prospect avenue, rest the handbook men, but to put them out of business. jumped into the Chesapeake and Ohio have received instructions not to let canal at Thirty-fourth street north up on a handbook man when he is once arrested, but to keep after him west yesterday afternoon. His body until the know positively that he was recovered by harbor police. has gone out of business.

## **Retired Police Vet Is Given** Surprise

Hale and hearty at eighty years, Capt. Tazwell B. Amiss, retired veteran of the police de-partment, received hundreds of congratulations yesterday on the occasion of his birthday. A floral tribute was forwarded to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harry E. Mockabee, 1341 Meridian street northwest, by the detective department.

Among those who called on him alst night to extend congratulations were Inspector Clifford L. Grant, chief of detectives; Major Harry L. Gessford, chief of police, and Capt. James Hartley, of the Ninth precinct. The trio worked under his supervision in the days when these officials wielded night sticks and wore the blue. The parlor of Mrs. Mockabee's home was banked with flowers sent by friends of the retired captain in recognition of his anniversary. Captain Amiss served nearly forty years on the police force was retired about fifteen

# years ago.

Van Duser Unable to Raise \$5,000 Bail Until Tried on Money Charge,

Former Congressman Clarence D. Van Duser of Nevada is still linger Unable to pay a professional bonds-man a fee to ball him out, Van Duser, who on Saturday was arrested by Detectives Kelly and Scrivener on an indictment charging him with obtain-

Friends of Van Duser have assured fad. When a new brand comes on him that they will get the necessary fee for the bondsman this afternoon. and if they do so the former Congress man will be released on \$5,000 bonds Van Duser is growing nervous over his incarceration, and frequently asks the station house keeper if his friends have called to bail him out. He eats but little, but declares he will be all right in a few days, when he gains his release pending a hearing on a writ of habeas corpus filed yesterday the District Court by his attorney, T. Morris Wampler, of Washington. extradition to Baltimore, where he is

## wanted on the false pretense charge. WAITER'S WIFE DECLARES

she is doing all the waiting. Justice Hitz yesterday signed an order requiring August to appear Friday to explain why he should not take a third trip to jail for contempt of court. August has been temporarily but securely located twice for non-

payment of alimony. Mrs. Bergen claims she has been unable to collect the \$30 a month Bergen was instructed to pay her fol-lowing a court order of March 10 last.

## EARLY MAILING DRIVE

Methods for co-operating with Postmaster General Hays in his plan for convincing postoffice patrons of the advantages of early mailing will be one of the principal subjects to b locket. He said he will insist on their discussed by the convention of the National Federation of Postoffice Clerks in Minneapolis on September it was announced today at the Fourth Assistant Postmaster Gen Commissioners get through with the eral Glover has been designated to attend the convention as the representative of the Postoffice Depart ment.

## HARDING GETS INVITATION

TO MT. RAINIER CARNIVAL Carnival. The committee in charge of the

mayor and five ex-mayors by setting vice chairman; B. C. MacNeil, secre aside six nights, one for each mayor, tary treasurer, and I. I. Hirschman during the week of September 12 to 17. corresponding secretary. 

Cabinet Grand

88-Note Mahogany

Player-Piano

Sept. Sale Special

Stephenson Says Drive Will Be Directed Against Camouflaged Liquor.

Flavoring extracts, which are being used for beverage purposes, are going off the market in Washington. That is the ultimatum of Harold R. Stephenson, the new officer in charge of the prohibition office in Washington.
Stephenson, who has been connected with the Washington office since it was established, today was prometted to be group chief of the Use promoted to be group chief of the District of Columbia office and field forces, which puts him in charge of the prohibition work in Washington.
"My orders from Edmund J. Bud-

nitz, prohibition director of Maryland, which also includes the District of Columbia, were that he expects prose cutions and not persecutions," Stephenson said today. "I expect to carry out the orders to the letter.' No Excuse for Laxity.

There is no reason why prohibi-tion cannot be enforced in Washington, Stephenson said, and with the co-operation of the police force of Washington which has obtained for some time, from Commissioner Oyster and Major Gessford down, e sees a rosy future for prohibition The first drive will be made here at once, he said, and agents of the local office today are making an investigation into the consuming extracts as beverages. It will be the aim of the Washington office, Stephenson said, to go after the big fellow-the manufacturer and the wholesale distributor - who are making the big money out of the concoctions. In this campaign he says he has the hearty support of Prohibition Commissioner Haynes and Director Burnitz. The one big handicap to the en-

forcement of the prohibition act as it relates to extracts, he said, is that the stuff is manufactured out of the city and shipped here.

"I believe with a little aggressive ness, we will be able to put extracts off the market here in a short time." ing \$4,000 by means of false pre- off the market here in a tenses, today is a prisoner at the Stephenson said today. like home brew, are very much of a market, there is immediately a and another brand takes its place." Foreigners Chief Violators.

The largest number of violators of the national prohibition act are not day. By far the larger number of men and women who have been ar- Hartley and Miss M. Miller. rested are foreign born residents of Washington or nearby places, who have come here after being run out of other cities.

enson is one lar members of the Washington force. leggers respect him because they say he is square, although he has rounded HE KEEPS HER WAITING up more of them than any other officer. He was connected with the In August Bergen is a hotel walter. telligence Bureau of the Internal Rev-But Mrs. Amelia Bergen, plaintiff in enue Bureau in the big New York a suit for absolute divorce, claims City conspiracy, which resulted in the indictment of seventeen men and women and was severely injured about six months ago in a fight with bootleggers on the Bladensburg road, when he and Detective Murphy tackled a bootleggers on their way to Washing-ton with a load of whiskey. He was the principal factor in the closing of the Razo Manufacturing Company here a year ago.

Capt. William D. Smith, who has been in charge of the local office for several months, has been promoted to the "mobile forces," the official designation of the "Flying Squadron." Frederick T. Rose, who has been conected with the local office for about a year, has been made assistant to

### HARDING MADE MEMBER OF U. S. HEALTH RESERVES

President Harding was elected an honorary member of the United States Association of the Public Health Reserve Officers, Post No. 1, organized yesterday. Surgeon General H. S. Cumming, of the Public Health Service, was chosen honorary The post is already arranging for

national convention of the thousand U. S. P. H. S. reserve officers here September 26. The purposes of the organization are to raise the stand President Harding has been invited ing of the reserve corps and to proby Judge Robert E. Joyce to join in mote co-operation between all agenthe celebration of "Joyce" night of cles professional, social and Govern-"Mayors' Week" at the Mt. Rainier mental engaged in helping former service men. Col. John R. McDill was elected

carnival is arranging to honor its chairman; Col. William S. Gerriberry

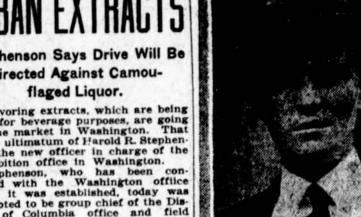
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## Stephenson Is Named **Prohibition Chief** For District



HAROLD R. STEPHENSON, Who was promoted today to be group chief of the District of Columbia Prohibition office and field He will be in charge of the work in Washington.

10,000 Workers Expected to Attend Contests Monday at Marshall Hall.

Extra boats have been engaged to carry the anticipated crowd of 10,000 people to Marshall Hall next Monday for the annual field day under the able to properly do the work without auspices of the Central Labor Union. big following, but it gradually wanes Cash prizes will be awarded winners of various athletic contests. Several

The general committee in charge of the celebration includes N. A. James, H. S. Hollahan, L. C. Pottiger, J. R.

Henry Miller, C. Cooper, A. Chamber-A. O'Leary, C. C. Coulter, Alonzo Lawson J. W. Rev He has been one of the hardest work-ers in the local office and even boot-son.

Athletics-A. Bridges, J. Carroll Reeves, R. Peck, R. E. Genson, P. A. Strachan. Dancing-H. Hollahan, Nora B. James, Charles Otis, J. J. McCracken, George Everdale.

George H. Miller, Charles Speaking-H. Miller, Charles Frazier, G. J. McKeenen, J. B. Colpoys. P. A. Strachan. Reception—L. C. Pottiger, Miss M. Miller, M. C. Flanagan, Dave Mc-Cracken, J. E. Toone and P. J. Chrou-

Barbecue-F. J. Beuchert, J. Mewland, George Bakersmith, Irvin Baker, J. Smith, William McQuea, William eiffert, Charles Madden, John Krause, P. M. Edinger, L. Weaver, Fritz Mer tense, E. Schueppe, L. Meier, George Krause, John Hartley, R. Kaufman,

## COLORED SCHOOL BOARD ASKS BIG APPROPRIATION

An appropriation treble that of the present \$31,400 per year was asked in the annual report of the Industrial School for Colored Children filed with the District Commissioner yesterday by Superintendent Leon L

During the past year, the report shows, 287 children were cared for by the institution. The erection of two cottages for boys and material in- 1436 New York Ave. N. W. creases in salaries, now ranging from \$240 to \$1,200 per year were requested in the report.

## BIG SISTERS SOCETY MEETS AGAIN SEPT. 9 The Big Sisters Society, working in

o-operation with the Christ Child Sodety, the Juvenile Court, the Juvenile Protective Association, and the conferences of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, will resume its regular binonthly meetings September 9. Meet ings are held in the Christ Child rooms 936 N St. N. W. at 324 Indiana avenue northwest.

Commissioners Open Drive to Have D. C. Presentable for Arms Conference.

A general clean-up of all Washington was asked today by the District Commissioners who issued a proclamation to citizens asking them to clean up store yards, buildings and dumps, so that when the disarmament conerence convenes here in November Washington will be the "city beauti-

The Commissioners now have in their possession, the names of about 1.500 residents of Washington who have neglected to keep their premises clear of weeds, and they are going to give them a chance to clean up be fore they start court action.

Start With Weeds. The idea of cleaning up the city so as to present a good appearance to the foreign delegates who will begin arriving here about the latter part of October has been in the minds of the was thought a good plan to hitch the idea on the weed campaign so that all the cleaning could be done at the same

The campaign against unsightly weeds is progressing rapidly, it was said today, and a big part of the force of the superintendent of trees and parking has been working every day for the past week in clearing govern-

Up Against Fund Shortage. It is probable that the Commission ers will include in their estimates to Congress next December an item for about \$25,000 to defray the expenses of clearing the city of weeds and un dergrowth. However, it is said that the plan to ask for that much money will not have easy sailing even in the District building as some of the officials are against asking an appropria tion for this work. Both the healt officer and the superintendent of trees and parking are in favor of the appropriation claiming that they are un

## SISTERS AND NIECES GET ESTATE OF LOUISE ZAHN

additional funds.

The will of Louisa Zahn, dated January 27, 1912, was filed for, pro-bate today, her principal beneficiaries being her sisters and nicces. Testatrix's holdings in the Gold
The personnel of the other committees is as follows: Law and order, ling Company, Colorado, consisting of 5,310 shares; her stock and interest in the Oriental Building Company No. 6, and the proceeds life insurance policy are to be equally divided between her sisters, Minnie Haydorn and Anna Reitz, and nieces Augusta Reitz, Annie Schoeck and Lotta H. Rheim, she are also to have the rest of the estate.

H. Rheim is named .- cutrix. Just Received NEW FALL STOCK Men's, Women' Children's High

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